

## POLITICS.

The Evening Post's Criticism of This Paper a Good Self Description.

Webster's Definition Aptly Fits the Contrary Editor of the Post.

Auditor Henry Bosworth Again Proves Something of a Politician.

## REPRESENTATIVES MAKING GOOD

In an editorial on Thursday the Evening Post referred to the Kentucky Irish American as a "political ignoramus," but did not go into details as to what Editor Dick Knott considered an ignoramus of that kind. The general conception of a "political ignoramus," according to well posted politicians, is one who always chooses the losing end in a political contest, and if there is anyone in Jefferson county or the State who has been consistently beaten in a political race than the aforesaid Knott, he or she has not been discovered to date.

It is not necessary to go back very far in proving this assertion, but as a case in point just take the last three years. The Post supported Grinstead in 1909 and carried a big headline across the top of the page, "Grinstead will win by 9,000 majority," and on the night of the election it is common history how, when the returns coming in showed Head an easy winner, Editor Knott turned disgustfully to his political editor and said: "Louis, where in the world did you get those campaign figures?"

In 1910 Mr. Knott and the Post fought Congressman Sherley and Judge Miller with all the venom and bitterness at their command, while both easily defeated McFee and Blighman, Sherley winning by the biggest majority ever cast here in a Congressional election.

The same old story again in 1911. Knott and his organ supported O'Rear and his prohibition platform for Governor the best they knew how, while the same month, Gov. McCreary won by a landslide, while Louisville and Jefferson county gave a record-breaking majority for the Democratic ticket.

This Jonah record of Editor Knott has probably been the grounds of a divorce by Senator Bradley and his friends from the support of this hoodoo organ in the Republican party. According to Webster, an ignoramus is defined as "a vain pretender," which definition aptly fits the Post's editor in his political career, as his knowledge of the political game is on a line with his support—very weak.

The decisive defeat of the public utilities commission bill at Frankfort on Wednesday has clearly shown that when the next Governor's race rolls around the gentleman from Fayette county, Auditor Henry Bosworth, will have to be reckoned with, as he has clearly shown his strength both with the people and the politicians, winning a single-handed fight for the nomination and then decisively beating every effort made during the present Legislature to cripple his office or deprive him of any appointments. Representative Charles H. Knight, of the First ward, has made such a favorable impression in the Legislature, which is also his debut in politics, that he is already being groomed for the nomination for State Senator to succeed Herman Newcomb, whose term expires this year. Another stalwart in the present Legislature is the big Sam Robertson, "the statesman from the Eleventh and Twelfth wards." In all probability he will be a candidate for one of our county offices next year. "Old Reliable" Senator Mark Ryan is sure of re-election if he again shies his castor (not hat) in the ring, as his well balanced and praiseworthy record in two sessions is deserving of reward.

## MISSION AT ST. CECILIA'S.

Simultaneously with the Forty Hours' adoration will begin a two weeks' mission at the high mass tomorrow morning at St. Cecilia's church. The mission will be given by two Passionist fathers, one being the Rev. Mark Moeslein, of Holy Cross Monastery at Cincinnati. Every morning there will be masses at 5 and 8 o'clock, followed by short instructions, and at the night services at 7:30 the principal sermon will be preached. The first week of the mission will be for the women, the second being reserved for the men. On Sunday, March 17, a special panegyric on St. Patrick will be delivered.

## CATHOLIC COLONIZATION.

The Catholic Colonization Society recently organized and headed by Archbishop John J. Glennon, of St. Louis, has entered upon active work. In a letter just received the Most Rev. S. Messmer, Archbishop of Milwaukee, says of its scope and purpose: "It is the protection and promotion of the Catholic religion through Catholic colonization. Hence our main object is religious. It is also charitable, as we lead our help-

ing hand to the colonist for charity's sake, not for money or earthly gain. While we shall try by all means to protect and promote the material or worldly interests of our Catholic colonists, it will be our principal object to surround them with the help and safeguards of Catholic faith and practice. Hence the Catholic Colonization Society will not only look for good, healthy and profitable colonies, but will provide them as soon as possible with priest, church and school. This twofold purpose shapes the policy of the Catholic Colonization Society in dealing with land companies, as will appear later."

## COMPLIMENTED

Degree Team For Work at Last Hibernian Initiation.

Division 3, A. O. H., held a splendid meeting Monday night, when five more names were presented for membership. President Hugh Hourigan occupied the chair and announced that the members who were sick were improving. Much interest was shown in the St. Patrick's day entertainment, those present pledging to help in every way to make it a success. Members who have not yet done so may procure their tickets from Treasurer Dan Dougherty, 1231 West Market.

Announcement was made that the Hibernians and auxiliary of Jefferson county would observe the feast of their patron by visiting St. Patrick's church on Sunday morning, March 17, and receive holy communion in a body. Secretary Tom Stevens was instructed to so notify the members, as it is the desire of Division 3 to turn out on that morning in full force.

County President Thomas Dolan was a welcome visitor, and when called upon made an excellent talk, in which he encouraged Division 3 to keep up its good work and congratulated its degree team for the part taken in the last initiation. He also urged the members to turn out in large numbers at the mass and entertainment on St. Patrick's day. In closing he extended a general invitation to all to attend the County Board meeting on Tuesday night at the hall of Division 1.

## BRIGHTER

Are the Political and Industrial Conditions in Ireland.

With brighter political and industrial prospects in Ireland, social conditions are moderating and such weapons as boycotting are being abandoned. Priests and judiciary have combined to give impetus to this change in public opinion. Headed by the Catholic Bishop of Galway, Dr. O'Dea, instructional addresses are being given throughout many dioceses, warning the people against the extension of boycotting practices. The Bishop himself, preaching in Galway Cathedral, said after tracing the history of boycotting from its introduction in the 70s to the present day: "What, then, are our conclusions against boycotting? That it is against natural justice, that it is against authority, that it is condemned by the church to which we belong. Further, as everybody knows, it is a particularly virulent kind of injustice and uncharitableness, it is a sort of plague, a curse than which scarcely any greater can come into a parish. I speak from experience. I have seen boycotting and I know how difficult it is to eradicate it, once it gets a hold of a locality, and therefore I pray that as we have been free from it here in the past God Almighty may preserve us from it in the future. It is a veritable plague and curse, and wherever there is boycotting there is uncharitable hatred, there is no social peace, there can be no progress or friendship with Almighty God or between the people themselves."

## UNIVERSITY COMMENDED.

A recent letter of His Holiness Pope Pius X. to Cardinal Gibbons extols the work of the Catholic University at Washington and most earnestly recommends its needs to the hierarchy, the clergy and the laity of the United States. The letter praises the efforts which the Trustees are making to extend the sphere of usefulness of the university to the training of religious women for the work of teaching in girls' academies and colleges. It also praises warmly the religious orders which have founded colleges at the university, and urges the other religious orders to follow the good example of those already located at Washington.

## ACCEPTABLE.

Mayor Head has appointed Col. Caldwell Norton a member of the Board of Waterworks, as successor to Charles F. Huklein. Col. Norton's business ability and experience fit him for the place, and his appointment will be acceptable to the entire public.

## CONVALESCENT.

Michael Lally, a well known resident of the West End, who underwent a surgical operation three weeks ago at St. Joseph's Infirmary, has been removed to his home, 3025 Bank street, where he is convalescent and on the road to recovery, to the great relief of his legion of friends and acquaintances.

## ST. PATRICK'S

Day Entertainment Programme Partially Announced by Committee.

Irish Airs and Irish Music Sure to Please Irish and Irish-Americans.

Hibernians and Auxiliary to Attend Mass at St. Patrick's Church.

## CLERGY INVITED TO ATTEND

After the adjournment of Division 1, A. O. H., Tuesday evening at Falls City Hall, President Thomas Dolan called the County Board to order and heard reports of the different committees preparing for the St. Patrick's day celebration at Masonic Theater, everyone being urged to lend his best efforts in making this entertainment a brilliant success. Collins' Orchestra has been secured to render a programme of Irish music, and among those who will render vocal and instrumental Irish airs are Miss Aileen Zix, Miss Abbie Chester, William L. Smith, Walter T. Barrett, Miss Catherine Shea, Miss Gladys Reigel and others who will be announced later.

Attorney Thomas Walsh will preside and deliver an address on the bright prospects for a prosperous Ireland. Patrick Horan, of Division 3, who was present, delivered a short address on some of the great epochs in Ireland's past history, which was much enjoyed and indorsed as one of the best talks heard by that body in some time. Mr. Horan citing how the Irish were united in the past and urged every delegate of the County Board to go back to his division and enlist the aid of every member in making the St. Patrick's day celebration a success in every way, which would not only prove beneficial to the order but will reflect credit to the whole Irish people. Thomas W. Farney also spoke along this line, and stated that if every member constituted himself a committee of one on advertising that Masonic Theater would be unable to hold the throng on that evening. Short talks along this line were also made by Sergeant John Maloney, John G. Hession, Thomas Stevens, William Murphy, Thomas J. Langan and others. The board instructed the Committee of Arrangements, which is composed of John J. Barry, Thomas W. Lawler, Hugh Hourigan and Thomas Dolan, to invite the local clergy to be their guests on that evening.

The Talent Committee announced that it had not as yet fully completed the program, but would guarantee a pleasant and instructive evening to all who attend, and a programme that would be sure to tickle the fancy of every Irishman and Irish-American. The entire house has been reserved, the lower floor tickets being sold for fifty cents and the balance of the house for twenty-five cents. Tickets are now on sale at Dougherty & McElliot's, Thomas Keenan's and the Kentucky Irish American.

It was announced by President Dolan that the entire membership of Jefferson county and the Ladies' Auxiliary would attend the 6 o'clock mass at St. Patrick's church on Sunday, March 17, and receive holy communion in a body. It was suggested that every division notify its members by postal card to this effect and start off the day by making a good showing on St. Patrick's day in the morning.

## GOD CALLED HER.

One of Louisville's most widely known and best loved women passed to her eternal rest on Wednesday when God called the soul of Mrs. Margaret Packler, wife of John Packler, the retired carriage and wagon manufacturer. Mrs. Packler was born in Louisville seventy-one years ago and had lived here all her life. For the past year her husband has suffered from heart trouble and several times his death was expected, but from each attack he rallied, and the devoted wife who comforted him in his illness passed away before him. Retiring in disposition, her life was an exemplary one, ending as she had lived—peacefully, quietly, calmly and ready to meet her God. The surviving relatives include her husband, one sister, Mrs. George Kippes, and five children—Charles J. Packler, foreman in the American Car Works at Jeffersonville; Mrs. Albert Gregg, of Jeffersonville, and Mrs. Edward J. Bosler and Misses Lilly and Louise Packler, of this city. The funeral took place yesterday morning from St. James church, and when the ceremony had been concluded the long cortege moved to St. Louis cemetery, where the body will rest peacefully until the resurrection day. To the sorrowing family friends extend sincere and heartfelt sympathy.

## ABBNEY THEATER PLAYS.

The Chicago Tribune thus takes leave of the Abbey Theater's pilgrimage to the Windy City and Manager Donaghy, the local Liebler representative: "It was his enthusiasm which brought the players here—an enthusiasm which involves the only error he made in the matter—the error of his bringing them here at

all." Chicago gave the "Playboy of the Western World" and the "Irish" players the best lesson they have had in this country. The Irish were offended deeply enough by that one play of the repertoire to punish the enterprise by remaining away from them all. The playgoers members of the Drama League displayed a lamentable indifference, and in the four weeks of the season contributed less than \$100 to the box office receipts, according to the management. And the remainder of the public, save for a few enthusiasts who went repeatedly, did not like the strange fare and stubbornly turned their backs upon it.

## ANOTHER CHAPTER.

Alleged Libel of Dan O'Sullivan on Trial Next Tuesday.

Next Tuesday will mark another chapter in the alleged libel case of Dan O'Sullivan against Messrs. William M. Higgins and John J. Barry, publishers of the Kentucky Irish American, their trial being set for that day in the Federal Court, having been indicted at Bowling Green December 11. The following is a brief review of the case: On April 7 last year O'Sullivan attacked the Whallan brothers, the Democratic Committee and the entire Head administration in a bitter card, having been disgruntled at the Democratic party for not receiving the nomination for Commonwealth's Attorney in 1909, when he belittled the party and added the Republicans. In its following issue the Kentucky Irish American called his hand and showed that in eight years O'Sullivan had been fattening at the public crib as a Democratic official, drawing \$18,800 in that time, which amount is pretty large for one Democrat, and to an outsider it looks like he should have been grateful to the Democratic party for life. Becoming incensed at this the ex-officio holder persuaded the Federal officials to swear out warrants for Frank McGrath, simply because he purchased some of the papers, Messrs. Higgins and Barry, and on trial in Commissioner Cassin's court Wednesday, June 24, Mr. McGrath was dismissed and the Commissioner's decision in the other cases reserved until the following Saturday, when Messrs. Higgins and Barry were held over to the October grand jury under bond of \$200. The October grand jury in session at Louisville refused to indict and the case was then submitted to the November grand jury at Owensboro, who also refused to indict; thence to Paducah, where the same course was taken, and finally to Bowling Green, where an indictment was brought in on Monday, December 11. Messrs. Higgins and Barry were placed under bond again by Commissioner Cassin and cited to appear next Tuesday. Another fact in connection with the indictment at Bowling Green is that this is O'Sullivan's home town, where he was born and raised, and significant that even one grand jury out of four was found to indict.

## RECENT DEATHS.

Mrs. Mary Connell, wife of Thomas Connell and a highly esteemed resident of New Albany, died Tuesday afternoon at her home at 415 West Seventh street after a long illness of a complication of diseases. She is survived by her husband, one son and four daughters. The funeral took place from Holy Trinity church, of which she had for years been a devout member.

Mrs. Katherine Block, one of the oldest and most estimable members of St. Boniface parish, passed to her eternal reward Sunday evening at her home, 814 East Chestnut street, leaving three children, eleven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Of a gentle, loving disposition, with only kind words and charity for all, she will be missed by all who knew her. The funeral took place Wednesday morning from St. Boniface church and was largely attended.

Last Friday at noon Almighty God called to his eternal reward Louis M. Hamel, one of Louisville's most respected residents, for many years a teacher in the Male High School and since connected with the Louisville & Nashville railroad. He was a native of France, but came to Louisville while a child. Surviving him are four sons and two daughters. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon from St. Charles church, Rev. Father Raffo officiating at the solemn obsequies.

Mrs. Anna Nora Ridge, an aged and highly respected resident of the West End, died suddenly Sunday morning of acute indigestion at the home of her daughter, Mrs. P. A. Crites, 223 North Eighteenth street. Though she had suffered from heart trouble, Mrs. Ridge was in fairly good health and the news of her death was a severe shock to her numerous friends and relatives. Five sons and two daughters survive her. The funeral took place Wednesday morning from St. Patrick's church, where she had been a devout and regular attendant.

## TAKES NEW PLACE.

Thomas O'Hara, a popular and widely known resident of Jeffersonville, for the past fifteen years chief timekeeper for the American Car and Foundry Company, has resigned his position to accept a more remunerative place with the Standard Steel Car Company at Hammond, Ind.

## FLAMES

Devour Handsome College Building Connected With Gethsemani Monastery.

Monk Breaks Vow and Shouts Alarm to Save the Students.

Heroic Efforts of Young Men to Save Institution From Destruction.

## ASH HEAP ALL THAT REMAINS

Last Friday afternoon angry flames devoured the college connected with the Gethsemani Abbey in Nelson county, and all that remains of the once handsome building is an ash heap. Fortunately it was that the fire did not take place at night, which might have caused loss of life and limb. The fire was first discovered by Brother Hubert, who made frantic but futile efforts to warn students and instructors when flames broke out in the kitchen, and was finally compelled to break his solemn vow of silence to shout his warning. After he had sounded the warning, which was carried through the dormitories and study and music rooms, the seventy students enrolled at the institution and the monks formed a bucket brigade to fight the flames, which destroyed the college building, with a loss estimated at \$25,000. The students at Gethsemani were at once scattered to the four corners, the majority of them coming to Louisville to seek shelter until the college authorities make some arrangements for caring for them. Four of the students, Wayland Lloyd and John Glass, of New York, and two brothers named Hill, of Vicksburg, remained at Gethsemani and were given quarters in the monastery.

Thrilling stories were told by the boys who came to Louisville in search of quarters, pending resumption of their school work. Smoke begimed and with their shoes and trousers mud-bespattered, they accepted their misfortune with good grace and apparently gave little heed to the fact that their clothing and all of their personal possessions had been consumed by the flames. The fact that everybody was warned of the danger in time to get out of the building, thereby preventing any loss of life, appeared to be the thought uppermost in the minds of the young men, who themselves had joined in the effort to save the institution from destruction.

Brother Hubert, realizing the danger to the students, who were in the different parts of the four-story structure, yet fearing to break his vow of silence, ran to the yard adjoining the college building, and picking up a lump of coal hurried it through a window in the music room. W. G. Hayden, of Owensboro, was in the room at the time. When the coal crashed through the window he ran to ascertain the cause and saw Brother Hubert standing below, recasting wildly. Despite the frantic efforts of the monk Hayden did not grasp the meaning of his gestures and started to turn from the window. Fear for the occupants then overcame Brother Hubert. He made one last effort to make Hayden understand him, then, realizing his failure, cried, "The house is on fire, get out quick." Hayden ran, worked hard in an effort to check the flames, but was unsuccessful. When the fire reached the dining-room they realized that further efforts from the inside to prevent the flames spreading were futile, and they joined the bucket brigade on the outside.

The monks lined up with the students in their efforts to overcome the flames, their faces tense and drawn and their mouths closed tight, while the students all about them were voicing their fears in shrieks, furnishing a picturesque setting for the flames. Standing as though rooted to the ground, they passed bucket after bucket along the line to the men in fighting distance of the fire, but it was as though oil were poured on the blaze. The flames ate steadily into the structure and in a few hours an ash heap was all that remained of the building.

Gethsemani College was situated on the Louisville & Nashville railroad, forty-nine miles east of Louisville, in Nelson county. The college and monastery are located at Trappist Station, a mile north of Gethsemani Station. The fact that no provision for fighting fire had been made and the further fact that the only ladder about the college was hardly longer than an ordinary step-ladder made it impossible to fight

the flames successfully. Gethsemani College was founded in 1861 by the Trappist Fathers of Gethsemani Abbey. It was chartered by an act of the Kentucky Legislature in 1868. The site of the college is high ground, surrounded by beautiful wooded knobs and pleasant valleys, and one of the advantages claimed for the institution has been its seclusion and remoteness from the distractions and excitements of life in cities and large towns.

## OWENSBORO.

Said Father Geo. M. Connor Will Come to Louisville.

The daily papers of the past week printed the following dispatch from Owensboro, but inquiry here reveals no knowledge of the change referred to:

"The Rev. George M. Connor, who for the past eleven years has been assistant pastor of St. Paul's church in this city, is one of the most popular priests that has ever been stationed in Owensboro, and by his ability, earnestness and splendid work in this city, both in the church and in movements that stood for the good interests of the city, he has made a wide circle of friends who will regret that he is shortly to go to Louisville to assume the pastorate of St. William's church in that city. Father Connor is a brilliant speaker, a deep thinker and in all his work impresses his auditors with his earnestness and with the strength of his convictions. He is a man of refinement and rare culture and is respected by the members of every denomination in the city who have been thrown in contact with him. Father Connor has been tireless in his effort for the up-building of the church here, and his absence will be keenly felt."

If any changes are made the people of St. William's will rejoice to have Father Connor as the successor of Father Ford, who has endeavored himself to every member of the parish during the short time he has been their pastor.

## O'KANE.

Famous Fenian May Return to His Boyhood Home.

The "advanced" men in the west of Ireland believe in honoring the living rather than raising monuments to the dead. They are raising a fund by which it is proposed to bring back from the United States who O'Kane, who was a conspicuous figure in the Fenian movement in the early '80s. The plan is to set him up in business in Claremorris, which was the scene of his former political activities. O'Kane was one of the most daring men of that period and escaped arrest in spite of the most strenuous vigilance of the police machinery. He was the friend and contemporary of Paddy Nally, who was sentenced to ten years' penal servitude and died in prison three days before the expiration of his sentence. It was said at the time that every policeman in Ireland had a warrant in his pocket with a full description of O'Kane, but all these efforts failed. He had a short residence in England, where he went to New York, where he has resided since. His home coming will be made the occasion of a royal reception. Bonfires will illuminate the hillsides and the "Wearing of the Green" will sound from 10,000 Irish throats. In some measure the demonstration will amply reimburse the demand of Connaught for home rule.

## MOURN HER DEATH.

Death loves a shining mark, and when Miss Fannie Eady answered the last summons Saturday one of the purest and sweetest spirits that inhabit our tabernacles of clay was released and went to join that innumerable throng that have gone to the land of eternal rest. Miss Eady was a member of St. Louis Bertrand's church, and her life was a living exemplification of the faith she professed. She was the daughter of Michael Eady, Jr., who was in the plumbing business in this city about twenty years ago and who died following injuries received when a boiler fell upon him. Her mother, Mrs. Linda Eady, is engaged in the millinery business in Vicksburg, Miss., and for several years Miss Eady had made her home with her aunt, Miss Kate Eady, in this city. A brother, George Eady, is in California on his honeymoon, having married Miss Virginia Nunn, of Frankfort, February 12. Heart trouble, from which she had been suffering for some time, was given as the cause of her death, but her condition was not considered serious. She had been visiting friends Friday evening, and apparently was in health when she retired. The funeral took place from the Dominican church with a solemn mass of requiem, attended by many mourning friends and relatives.

## VINCENNIAN EXTENSION.

Archbishop Quigley has urged the organization of a conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society in every parish of the Chicago diocese. Fifty-six parishes now have conferences with an active membership of 929, not equal to that of Louisville. The Chicago organization expended \$22,912 for charity during the year and procured employment for 443 persons.

## DOUBTFUL

Date For Introduction of Irish Home Rule Bill Not Yet Settled.

May Be Held Up By the Break of Liberals and Labor Party.

Even Politics Remain Quiet Until Danger of Strife Shall Pass.

## ROUSING MEETING IN ENGLAND

Premier Asquith and his Ministerial colleagues fully realize that Great Britain is passing through one of the greatest crises in its history. It is not only an industrial but a political and social crisis as well. Reviewing the situation last Saturday, T. P. O'Connor, M. P., cabled that the fortunes of the coal strike vary day by day and hour by hour. The intervention of the Government was hailed with enthusiasm and universal applause and Premier Asquith, his complete grasp of all the facts, by his impressive appeals to both combatants and by his resolve, in the background, to resort to drastic legislation if no other escape from the deadlock is possible, dominated the situation. The journalists and legislators desert the benches of the House of Commons and are filling the lobbies to discuss feverishly every new report in every hour of the day. Never did one great issue more completely submerge every other question.

The miners' refusal to negotiate a minimum wage and their refusal of Asquith's proposals drives them into an unpopular position and all the immense and practically universal public sympathy has gone for the moment. This profound mistake comes partly from the supremacy of the extremists, but largely from the absolute want of confidence among the work people in any chance of justice from the greedy employers, the stupid railway directors and the Tory Judges.

The uncertain prospects and the tremendous struggle for the moment darken the prospects of Irish home rule, yet the home rule idea, especially home rule all round, made a big step in advance this very week. The resolution in favor of home rule for Scotland was carried by a big majority of ninety-eight in the House of Commons, and the opposition to it from the Tories was half-hearted.

The by-elections, however, still show a diminution of the Liberal strength, and the reduction of the Liberal majority in the St. Rollox constituency in Glasgow by 75 per cent, adds to the Liberal depression. These mishaps are almost entirely due to the temporary unpopularity of the insurance act and the reckless misstatements of the effects of that measure by the Tory speakers. In Manchester, where another by-election now is proceeding, similar tactics probably will produce a reduction in the Liberal majority, as the constituency consists largely of clerks who dread the loss of the allowances during the illness hitherto given by a certain section of good hearted employers.

Otherwise the Liberals and Irish remain in the highest spirits, for the cordial co-operation between the Liberals and Irish on the new home rule bill now is assured and the Irish leaders have no doubt of the acceptance of the bill and their policy at the Irish convention. The date of the introduction of the bill is not yet settled, as it is impossible to approach the Ministers on this or any other subject while the coal controversy and the negotiations with Berlin occupy their whole attention.

The Irish leaders will press strongly for the introduction of this measure before Easter so as to have the Irish convention during the Easter vacation, and probably will have their work under the nine strike stops everything. Rousing home rule meetings still take place all over England.

Ireland shows signs of feverish hope and it is expected, in spite of the payment of members, to send the biggest subscription to the national movement since the greatest days of Parnell.

## VALUABLE LIBRARY.

The Catholic University Library at Washington has now reached a total of 75,000 volumes, and is in several respects the most valuable Catholic library in the United States. It grows at an average of 4,000 to 5,000 volumes a year, and is particularly rich in periodicals, of which over 400 are received regularly. Among the principal accessions this year are the great Berlin collection of Latin inscriptions, over 150,000, and the 250 volumes of the Roile Series, or medieval chronicles of Great Britain and Ireland.

## WITH THE SICK.

The many friends of Mrs. William T. Meenan and James Noonan will be happy to learn that both have almost fully recovered from the illness that has confined them to their homes for several weeks.